

COLTS NECK RECREATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 3, 2003

Present: Dr. Harold J. Nolan, Frank Baker, Bruce Bennett, Leonor Lesta, Philip Maida, Arthur Goodwin, A. J. Garito, Richard Rehm, Dwight Wolf, Edward Piotrowski

Absent: None

Liaison

Present: Thomas E. Hennessy, Jr., Township Committee

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Frank Baker at 8:05 p.m. The Sunshine Statement was read and the minutes of the August 6th meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: In the Recreation operating budget \$109,620.60 has been disbursed, \$36,197.15 has been encumbered, leaving available \$25,012.25 and in the Park & Playground budget \$14,764.85 has been disbursed, \$1,771.73 has been encumbered, leaving available \$18,213.42.

Old Business: Dr. Nolan reported that the Summer Day Camps had a very successful year. The supervisors were excellent and there were no major problems.

The last of the summer instructional programs has ended. There were about 45 participants.

We sponsored three successful sports camps this summer—football, basketball and soccer. There has been a tremendous growth in these programs due to the fact the Board of Education no longer wishes to sponsor them.

Our Men's Softball League still has a few more weeks to play. Despite the rainy summer there were not many rain outs.

The Fall program brochure should be mailed out tomorrow. We are just waiting for the check for the postage. Because we have many new programs, we have gone to a six panel brochure. Most of our instructional programs will begin the week of September 22nd.

This will be the 25th anniversary year for our 10K Road Race. We will be giving plaques to several individuals who have sponsored it all through the years such as Dr. Faistl, Joe Danek of Buy Rite and John Kuhl.

Plans for the Fall Parade and Festival were discussed. Dr. Nolan said we will be preparing application for the tractor entries. He has also contacted a DJ that does shows with classic cars. Mr. Baker suggested that we procure one or two giant inflatable balloons. A list of a proposed line of march for the parade was distributed. Committee members were given assignments for contacts with food vendors, tractors, and games and contests. Mr. Hennessy suggested that the Pop Warner football players and cheerleaders should participate in the parade along with Sports

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Foundation soccer players. The Historical Society should also be invited to take part in this event.

Dr. Nolan reported that Public Works is in the process of setting up the soccer fields. The Sports Foundation was lax in marking out the fields in a timely manner as opening day is this Saturday. The berm has been constructed at Conover Road field and bleachers have been painted.

The status of the proposed Five Points Park is that we are in the process of getting the approvals from the State. Dr. Nolan said he is working with the Township Engineer on what will be included in the bid.

Discussion was held on the future of Conover Road Park and whether the tennis courts that were removed for the building of the primary school should be replaced by the Board of Education at that location or at another location in the northern part of town, based upon future park need.

Mrs. Laufer, President of the Colts Neck Senior Citizens reported that their Fall Luncheon was held today. She also said that there are about 35 veterans in the club who she will encourage to participate in the Veterans Day Celebration.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 1st.

Respectively submitted,

Peggy Houlihan
Secretary